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SUMMARY. RESPONSE WITHIN CHINA TO THE TENTH PARTY CONGRESS SEEMS TO BE HEWING TO THE MAIN LINES ENUNCIATED BY CHOU EN-LAI IN HIS POLITICAL REPORT WITH ACTIVE STUDY NOW UNDERWAY IN VARIOUS PROVINCES OF CONGRESS DOCUMENTS AND INJUNCTIONS. MEANWHILE THE PATTERN OF PRC LEADERSHIP APPEARANCES APPEAR TO ARGUE AGAINST THE OPENING OF A NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS IN THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS, ALTHOUGH THERE IS SPECULAITION THAT SUCH AN EVENT IS NEAR. ON THE INTERNATIONAL SIDE PEKING MEDIA HAS LAUNCHED A SERIES OF VITRIOLIC DENUNCIATIONS OF THE SOVIET UNION. PROVINCIAL MEDIA ARE RECITING CHOU'S WARNING AGAINST " SURPRISE ATTACKS BY SOCIAL IMPERIALISM".
END SUMMARY.

1. REACTION TO TENTH PARTY CONGRESS
JUDGING FROM PROVINCIAL RADIO BROACASTS RECEIVED TO DATE, THE TENTH PARTY CONGRESS HAS BEEN TAKEN IN STRIDE WITHIN CHINA. ACTIVITIES TO PROMOTE STUDY OF THE CONGRESS DOCUMENTS ARE BEING WIDELY REPORTED, AND THUS FAR THE POINTS EMPHASIZED AND THE
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LANGUAGE USED HEW CLOSELY TO THE SALIENT FEATURES OF VICE CHAIRMAN CHOU EN-LAI'S POLITICAL REPORT. THE "LIN PIAO ANTI-PARTY CLIQUE" HAS REPLACED "SWINDLERS" AS THE VERBAL TARGET OF ABUSE, AND THIS MAKES IT APPEAR THAT THE RANKS HAVE CLOSED OVER THAT AFFAIR. A FEW PROVINCIAL BROADCASTS REFLECT A SHOW OF CONCERN FOR RECENT BACKSLIDING INTO "CAPITALIST TRENDS," AND SOME MOVEMENT TOWARD TIGHTENING UP ON THE LINE MAY NOW EMERGE. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME UNUSUAL COMMENTS, AS IN A SEPTEMBER 9 HUNAN BROADCAST OF A LOCAL EDITORIAL WHICH WARNED AGAINST SLIPSHOD STUDY OF THE DOCUMENTS AND ADDED THAT "TO MAKE A DELIBERATE MISINTERPRETATION OF THE DOCUMENTS OUT OF CONTEXT, DISTORT THEIR MEANING AND GO IN FOR PRAGMATISM IS ALL THE MORE ERRONEOUS." BUT SUCH INNOVATIVE REACTIONS CURRENTLY APPEAR TO BE ISOLATED.

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2. SOME PROVINCIAL FIGURES HAVE REAPPEARED IN THEIR CAPITALS, AND THIS ALONG WITH THE DEPARTURE OF VICE CHAIRMAN LI TEH-SHENG ON A MISSION TO KOREA SEPTEMBER 8, WOULD ARGUE AGAINST THE OPENING OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS (NPC) IN THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS, ALTHOUGH THERE IS SPECULATION THAT THIS EVENT IS NEAR. VICE CHAIRMAN CHOU, AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBER CHANG CHUN-CHIAO APPEARED IN TANDEM TO MEET A ROMANIAN PARTY DELEGATION SEPTEMBER 5, POINTING UP THE LIKELIHOOD THAT CHANG IS THE MAN TO WATCH IN PARTY AFFAIRS. KANG SHENG HAS NOT REAPPEARED SINCE THE CONGRESS AND MAY HAVE PASSED BACK INTO HIS EARLIER OBSUCURITY. USLO PEKING REPORTS THAT CHOU PREDOMINATED IN TV COVERAGE OF A POST-CONGRESS LEADERSHIP TURNOUT, WITH WANG HUNG-WEN TRAILING BEHIND HIM WHILE THE DEFLATED CHIANG CHING (MRS. MAO) RATED ONLY A BRIEF PAN (PEKING 1011). MEANWHILE, REHABILITATED NATIONAL FIGURES SUCH AS TENG HSIAO-PING AND TAN CHEN-LIN REMAIN VERY MUCH IN THE PICTURE AND MAY FEATURE IN THE NPC.
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3. STATE COUNCIL AND TENTH CONGRESS
WHILE A LOOK AT THE TENTH CENTRAL COMMITTEE SHOWS THE PRESENT STATE COUNCIL WON BACK MUCH OF THE GROUND IT LOST TO OTHER LEADERSHIP GROUPS DURING THE CULTURAL REVOLUTION, BUREAUCRATS FELL WELL SHORT OF RECAPTURING THEIR PRE-1966 LEVEL OF POOFTICAL POWER. THIS WAS PARTICULARLY TRUE IN THE POLITBURO. IN 1965, HALF THE ACTIVE POLITBURO OF 20 WORKED IN THE PRC GOVERNMENT; THE PRESENT FIGURE IS FIVE OF 25 (A NEW NPC, HOWEVER, MAY ALTER
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THE TOTAL). FURTHER, WHEREAS IN 1965 SEVEN MINISTERS WERE IN THE POLITBURO, NOW ONLY NINE HAVE EVEN MADE THE NEW 318-MAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE. MOST OF THE IDENTIFIED MINISTERS LEFT OFF THE NEW CENTRAL COMMITTEE HAVE PLA BACKGROUNDS, WHILE MOST OF THOSE WHO WERE INCLUDED ARE CIVILIANS (HONG KONG 8982).
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4. PROVINCIAL LEADER DIES
CHANG TI-HSUEH, HUPEH'S FORMER GOVERNOR AND THE TOP CIVILIAN THERE, DIED IN PEKING SEPTEMBER 3. IMPORTANT NATIONAL AND HUPEH PROVINCIAL LEADERS TURNED OUT FOR CHANG'S SEPTEMBER 6 FURNERAL IN PEKING (NCNA). HE WAS EULOGIZED BY CIVILIAN CHAO HSIN-CHU, A REHABILITATED FORMER HUPEH SECRETARY (WR 30), WHO WAS APPARENTLY SELECTED TO BE CHANG'S SUCCESSOR LAST JULY (CHAO APPEARED IN WUHAN SHORTLY AFTER CHANG WAS LAST NOTED THERE AND HIS HUPEH RANKING SINCE JULY HAS BEEN IDENTICIAL TO CHANG'S). CHANG, LIKE REPLACEMENT CHAO, WAS ELECTED TO THE NEW CENTRAL COMMITTEE.
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5. MASS ORGANIZATION

DURING THE TENTH CONGRESS SESSION, PROVINCIAL WOMEN'S CONGRESSES

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WERE HELD IN KIANGSI AND TSINGHAI. NOW ONLY SEVEN (OF 29)
PROVINCE LEVEL UNITS HAVE YET TO HOLD THEIR TOP WOMEN'S FEDERATION
MEETS. IT APPEARS, THEREFORE, THAT THE WOMEN--LIKE THE YOUTH AND
WORKERS--WILL BE SUFFICIENTLY ORGANIZED AT THE PROVINCIAL LEVEL
TO PERMIT THEIR ORGANIZATION TO CONVENE A NATIONAL-LEVEL CONGRESS
DURING THE LAST QUARTER OF 1973 SHOULD PEKING SO DESIRE.
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6. MONGOLIA
IN A CLEAR ATTEMPT TO UNDERCUT PEKING'S SELF-PORTRAYAL AS A
FRIEND OF THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES, ULAN BATOR NEWSPAPER LITERATURE
AND ART ON SEPTEMBER 3 ACCUSED THE PRC OF BUILDING INSTALLATIONS
AND STATIONING TROOPS ON THE SINO-MONGOLIAN BORDER, CARRYING OUT
MILITARY EXERCISES THERE, VIOLATING MONGOLIAN TERRITORY, AND STIRRING
UP CHINESE IN MONGOLIA TO UNDERTAKE HOSTILE ACTIVITIES. SOVIET
INSPIRATION FOR THIS PROPAGANDA EFFORT ON THE EVE OF THE NON-
ALIGNED CONFERENCE WAS MADE PLAIN WHEN THE ARTICLE WAS REPRINTED
IN THE SOVIET WEEKLY "NEW TIMES" AND BROADCAST IN MANDARIN BY
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MOSCOW RADIO. THE ACCUSATION OF BORDER VIOLATIONS AND DESCRIPTION
OF THE 1962 BORDER TREATY AS A "FORCED MANEUVER" ON CHINA'S PART
ARE UNUSUAL AND MAY BE INTENDED TO STIR UP THE SINO-MONGOLIAN
FEUD WHICH THE CHINESE HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO DOWNPLAY.
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7. USSR
CONTINUING THE TONE SET BY CHOU EN-LAI IN HIS PARTY CONGRESS
REPORT, PEKING MEDIA HAVE LAUNCHED A SERIES OF ACRIMONIOUS
DENUNCIATIONS OF THE SOVIET UNION. FOR THE FIRST TIME NCNA
DEVOTED AN ENTIRE ARTICLE TO THE THREAT POSED TO BOTH THE U.S.
AND LATIN AMERICA BY SOVIET NAVAL ACTIVITY IN THE CARIBBEAN
(HONG KONG 9037). THIS ARTICLE ALSO INDIRECTLY ATTACKED
CUBA'S SUPPORT OF SOVIET NAVAL PRESENCE IN THE WESTERN HEADP000
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8. FOLLOWING UP CHOU'S DISMISSAL OF SOVIET SOCIETY AS A "FASCIST DICTATORSHIP," THE CHINESE REPRESENTATIVE AT THE 13TH SESSION OF
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THE UNCTAD TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD IN GENEVA STATED FLATLY THAT THE USSR WAS "BY NO MEANS A SOCIALIST COUNTRY" (NCNA SEPTEMBER 9). THIS IS THE FIRST CASE OF WHICH WE ARE AWARE IN WHICH THE PRC IN AN INTERNATIONAL FORUM HAS CATEGORICALLY READ MOSCOW OUT OF THE SOCIALIST CAMP. MEANWHILE, PROVINCIAL TREATMENT OF THE TENTH PARTY CONGRESS HAS RECITED WITHOUT ADDITIONAL EMPHASIS CHOU EN-LAI'S WARNING AGAINST "SURPRISE ATTACKS BY SOCIAL IMPERIALISM." NO PROVINCE HAS EMPLOYED WANG HUNG-WEN'S PHRASEOLOGY WHICH INCLUDED US "IMPRIALISM" AS A POSSIBLE SOURCE OF "SURPRISE ATTACKS." NEITHER CENTRAL NOR PROVINCIAL MEDIA HAVE SEEMED TO INTENSIFY THE WAR PREPARATIONS THEME. ALSO, WE HAVE NOTICED NO SIGN OF A SIGNIFICANT EXPANSION OF CIVIL DEFENSE MEASURES. CONFIDENTIAL

9. CAMBODIA

A LOW-LEVEL NCNA ARTICLE OF SEPTEMBER 6 REFERRED TO "SHAM PEACE" AND "POLITICAL INTRIGUES" TO SAVE THE GKR (HONG KONG 8981). HOWEVER, THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE ARTICLE SEEMED TO BE TO EMBARRASS THE SOVIETS OVER THEIR CONTINUED RECOGNITION OF THE "LONG NOL CLIQUE." THIS REPORT WAS FOLLOWED BY AN NCNA ARTICLE OF SEPTEMBER 9 WHICH CHARGED THAT THE SOVIETS WERE HANGING ON THE "LON NOL CLIQUE" IN THE HOPE OF USING IT "AS A TOOL IN THEIR

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FUTURE INTERVENTION IN CAMBODIA AND EXPANSION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA."
THE ARTICLE QUOTED A REPUTED STATEMENT BY A THAI GOVERNMENT
OFFICIAL THAT THE SOVIETS WANT BADLY TO BUILD UP THEIR NAVAL
FORCES IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA AND THE KOMPONG SOM PORT IN
CAMBODIA." IN ELITE COMMENT PEKING CONTINUES TO AVOID
PROJECTING FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS IN CAMBODIA.
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10. UNITED STATES

ACCORDING TO A JAPANESE PRESS REPORT (KYOTO SEPT 10) CHOU
EN-LAI TOLD JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO PEKING HEISHIRO OGAWA THAT HE
HAS NO PLAN TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES OR THE UN. ALTHOUGH THE
PRC HAS POSTPONED THE VISIT OF THREE US SCIENTIFIC AND
SCHOLARLY DELEGATIONS UNTIL NEXT YEAR, OTHER AMERICAN VISITORS
CONTINUE TO COME AND GO. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE WILLIAM DOUGLAS
EXITED CHINA ON SEPT 5 AND TOLD THE PRESS HE EXPECTED THAT
AND EXCHANGE OF SINO-US LEGAL DELEGATIONS COULD TAKE PLACEIN
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THE NEAR FUTURE. AN ABC TELEVISION TEAM WHOSE VISIT HAD EARLIER
BEEN POSTPONED IS NOW SCHEDULED TO ENTER CHINA THIS WEEK FOR
SIX WEEKS OF FILMING. CHINESE READERS MEANWHILE ARE STILL BEING
FED A WARPED PICTURE OF US SOCIAL PROBLEMS. FOR EXAMPLE, AN
NCNA ARTICLE OF SEPTEMBER 5 ON EXPLOITATION OF WORKERS IN THE
WEST CITED A HEW REPORT AS INDICATING THAT WAGE EARNERS IN THE
US WERE "ALMOST ALL LIKE CONVICTS." UNCLASSIFIED

11. NORTH KOREA

LI TEH-SHENG, A VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY'S
CENTRAL COMMITTEE,)3$ 5#3 04:'S DELEGATIN TO POINGYANG FOR THE
CELEBRATION OF NORTH KOREA'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY (SEPT 9).
THREE OF THE FOUR OTHER VICE CHAIRMEN--CHOU EN-LAI, WANG HUNG-WEN,
AND YEH CHIEN-YING--ATTENDED A CELEBRATION OF THE EVENT IN PEKING.
SUCH HIGH-LEVEL TREATMENT REFLECTS THE CURRENT VERY CORDIAL
RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO CAPITALS AND CHINESE COMMENT ON THE
OCCASION OWAS CORRESPONDINGLY EFFUSIVE. A PEOPLE'S DAILY EDITORIAL
EMPHASIZED CHINESE SOLIDARITY WITH NORTH KOREAWN BUT SIGNIFICANTLY
DOWNPLAYED CHINA'S ROLE IN THE KOREAN WAR, CONTI UED TO GIVE ONLY
GENERAL SUPPORT FOR A WITHDRAWAL OF US TROOPSFROM THE SOUTH,
AND OPPOSED "TWO-KOREA SCHEMES" WITHOUT MENTIONING THE CURRENT
EISPUTE OVER KOREA'S ENTRY INTO THE UNITED NATIONS.
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12. NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

PEKING MEDIA GAVE HEAVY COVERAGE TO THE FOURTH NON-ALIGNED
CONFERENCE IN ALGIERS SEPTEMBER 5-10, SELECTIVELY QUOTING THOSE
SPEAKERS WHOSE COMMENTS SUPPORTED AN INDEPENDENT ROLE FOR THIRD
WORLD COUNTRIES OR OPPOSED THE "SUPERPOWERS" ON VARIOUS
INTERNATIONAL ISSUES. NCNA REPORTED CASTRO'S SPEECH DEFENDING

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THE SOVIET UNION AND WITH PARTICULAR RELISH THE REJOINDERS BY
QADHFI AND SIHANOUK. QADHFI, IN FACT, APPEARED TO COME CLOSE TO
PRC FORUMULATIONS WHICH LUMP THE SOVIETS WITH THE AMERICANS AS
THE "IMPERIALISTS". HIS COMMENT THAT "THE SOVIET UNION IS WORLD
IMPERIALISM, JUST LIKE THE UNITED STATES" EXPRESSED PRC SENTIMENTS
WELL EVEN THOUGH LIBYA STILL HAS NO DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
WITH THE PRC. CONFIDENTIAL

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PRINCE GHOLAM REZA PAHLAVI AND HIS WIFE PRINCESS MANIJEH'S
VISIT TO PEKING SEPTEMBER 5-10 INCLUDED A CALL ON CHOU EN-LAI
AND A BANQUET IN THEIR HONOR GIVEN BY VICE PREMIER LI HSIEN-NIEN.
IN HIS TOAST AT THE BANQUET, LI EXPRESSED ADMIRATION FOR INRAN'S
SUCCESS IN "SAFEGUARDING STATE SOVEREIGNTY, PROTECTING NATIONAL
RESOURCES, DEVELOPING NATIONAL CULTURE AND BUILDING THE COUNTRY"
UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE SHAH. HE ALSO THANKED THE PRINCE
FOR HIS EFFORTS AS HEAD OF THE IRANIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE FOR HIS
"FRIENDLY AND POSITIVE EFFORTS" TO GET THE PRC IN THE ASIAN GAMES
FEDERATION. SECURING THE PRC'S PARTICIPATION IN THE UPCOMING
ASIAN GAMES IN TEHRAN WAS PRESUMABLY THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF HIS
VISIT. MEANWHILE, ACCORDING TO AN INTELLIGENCE REPORT THE
SHAH HIMSELF IS REPORTED TO BE PLANNING A TRIP TO PEKING IN THE
NEXT FEW MONTHS. SECRET/NOFORN

14. HONG KONG
RECENTLY HONG KONG ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRESS HAVE CARRIED VARIOUS
SPECULATIONS ABOUT THE RISING NUMBER OF LEGAL BORDER CROSSERS
FROM THE PRC TO HONG UONG. MORE AUTHORITATIVE INFORMATION
OBTAINED FROM HONG KONG IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS INDICATE THAT
THE RATE INDEED HAS GREATLY INCREASED. IF PRESENT TRENDS
CONTINUE
60,000 CHINESE MAY CROSS INTO THE COLONY THIS YEAR AS COMPARED
WITH APPROXIMATELY 20,000 IN 1972 AND 2,000 IN 1971. THEY ARE
MOSTLY EITHER OVERSEAS CHINESE DISILLUSIONED WITH LIFE IN CHINA
OR THE SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS OF OVERSEAS CHINESE HOPEING TO REJOIN
THEIR FAMILIES ABROAD. SINCE MANY ARE WOMEN OF CHILD-BEARING AGE,
CHILDREN, AND THE OLD AND INFIRM, THEY CONSTITUTE A DRAIN ON
HONG KONG'S ALREADY OVER-EXTENDED HOUSING, EDUCATIONAL AND
MEDICAL RESOURCES AND ARE JEOPARDIZING THE EFFICACY OF SOCIAL
WELFARE AND OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PLANNING. ALTHOUGH THE BRITISH
AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT RAISED THE ISSUE WITH THE PRC, IT IS CURRENTLY
UNDER DISCUSSION BY THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT, THE BRITISH FOREIGN
OFFICE, AND THE BRITISH EMBASSY IN PEKING. AS AN ESTIMATED
14,000 OF THIS YEAR'S BORDER CROSSERS WILL BE OVERSEAS CHINESE
OF INDONESIAN ORIGIN, THIS INFLUX ALSO POSES A PROBLEM FOR
JAKARTA, WHOSE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THEM IS CLEARLY NOT INTENDED TO
ENCOURAGE THEIR READMISSION. ACCORDING TO INDONESIAN CONSULATE
GENERAL SOURCES HERE, THEY WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED FOR RADMISSION
AS IMMIGRANTS, NOT REPATRIATES, AFTER RELATIONS HAVE BEEN NORMALIZED
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BETWEEN PEKING AND JAKARTA AND AFTER JAKARTA HAS DETERMINED THAT THEIR REENTRY, AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS A GROUP, WILL NOT HAVE A DE-STABILIZING EFFECT ON INDONESIA'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC STRUCTURE (HONG KONG A-242). SECRET/NOFORN

15. ROMANIA

ROMANIAN LEADERS EMIL BODNARAS (ROMANIAN COMMUNIST PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND PERMANENT PRESIDIUM MEMZER) AND CORNEL BURTIIA (SECRETARY OF REVOLUTIONIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE) STOPPED IN PEKING SEPT 5-8 FOR AN "UNOFFICIAL FRIENDLY VISIT" ON THEIR WAY TO THE NORTH KORAN 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS. WHILE IN CHINA, THEY HELD EXTENDED DISCUSSIONS WITH CHOU EN-LAI, CHANG CHUN-CHIAO, AND OTHER CHINESE LEADERS. THERE WERE NO PUBLIC SPEECHES OR TPUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CONTENT OF THE DISCUSSIONS. UNCLASSIFIED.
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